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In re application of

GARCIA, ARTURO J. et al.

Serial No.: 08/989,373

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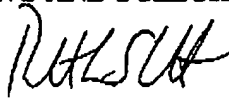
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101/201 \$690 \$345	Utility Filing Fee	_____
102/202 \$78 \$39	Excess of 3 Ind. Claims	_____
103/203 \$18 \$9	Excess of 20 claims	<u>\$108.00</u>
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105/205 \$130 \$65	Missing Parts	_____
139/139 \$130 \$130	Non-English Specification	_____
147/147 \$2520	Request for Reexamination	_____
115/215 \$110 \$55	Extension of Time - 1 Month	_____
116/216 \$380 \$190	Extension of Time - 2 Month	_____
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified continued prosecution application (CPA) filed on May 23, 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claim 34 as follows:

34. (Amended) An apparatus for enhancing the quality of an input audio signal comprising a plurality of frequency components within a band of audible frequencies having a low end and a high end, said apparatus comprising:

a passive circuit which distorts the input signal, when transmitted therethrough, into an enhanced audio signal by distorting audible frequency components such that the audible frequency components increase in amplitude as they [increase] decrease in frequency from an intermediate frequency [up] down to a low frequency, wherein audible sound reproduced from the enhanced audio